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Portfolio Category 2. Author's Purpose-A

Question 1 of 5

Read the story. Then answer the question.

Using a Map

Using a map is easy. First, you need to know the four main directions. They tell where things are. The four main directions are north, south, east, and west. The sun rises in the east. The sun sets in the west. Once you have found east, you can find all the directions. Put your arms out to your sides, like you are the letter “t”. Turn until your right arm points to where the sun comes up. This is east. Look straight ahead. That is north. South is behind you. Your left hand is pointing west. Learning the four main directions will help you use a map.

Why did the author write this?

- ☐ A. to inform
- ☐ B. to be funny
- ☐ C. to scare
- ☐ D. to entertain

Question 2 of 5

Which title is from a story written to entertain?

- ☐ A. The Parts of an Insect
- ☐ B. Why I Need a New Skateboard
- ☐ C. How to Build a Robot
- ☐ D. The Funniest Trip in the World

Question 3 of 5

Skating can be really fun even if it's your very first time. First, you need to go to a place called a skating rink where they have a special floor and skates for you to wear. Next, choose your skates, pay for them, and put them on. Then find some friends to help you stand up. Don't be worried if you feel wobbly. Make your way carefully to the skating floor and step onto it. Put one skate in front of the other and you are on your way. You are skating!

The author's purpose for writing this passage is to _____.

- ☐ A. entertain skaters
- ☐ B. brainstorm skating ideas with friends
- ☐ C. go skating with friends
- ☐ D. explain what you do at a skating rink

Question 4 of 5

Read the passage.

Jackson Carter is my friend. He is running for class president. He is kind to everyone and has great ideas. I believe he will be a great leader. Please vote for Jackson on Monday, May 8th.

What is the author's purpose?

- ☐ A. to inform
- ☐ B. to trick
- ☐ C. to persuade
- ☐ D. to entertain

Question 5 of 5

You can see flowers growing almost anywhere in the world. They can be seen growing on glaciers or on the tops of high mountains in the snow. During the rainy season in the deserts, flowers will bloom. They have not been seen growing in the open seas or in the ice of the Arctic or Antarctic.

Why did the author write this paragraph?

- ☐ A. to make you laugh
- ☐ B. for adventure
- ☐ C. for information
- ☐ D. to entertain himself

